GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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INFILTRATION IN J&K
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a top level Israeli military delegation visited India to discuss counter terrorism and anti-infiltration strategies in Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the measures suggested by Israeli delegation to check infiltration in Jammu and Kashmir;

(d) whether LoC has suddenly become hot with terrorists making concerted efforts to sneak into India from across the border;

(e) if so, whether figures show a two to three fold jump in infiltration in April and May this year as compared with the same period in 2005 and 2006; and

(f) if so, the steps taken by the Government to deal with the situation?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. A three member delegation of Israeli Defence Forces visited India from 13-18 June 2007. The aim of the visit was to enhance defence co-operation issues, including terrorism. During this visit, the delegation also visited Jammu and Kashmir. There was a mutual exchange of information on the methodologies being used in countering terrorism by the two countries.

(d) & (e): The details of comparative figures of infiltration in April and May for 2005, 2006 and 2007 are given below:-

Year	2005	2006	2007
April	44	43	82
May	33	60	68

The overall infiltration, however, in 2007 till June 30 (256), marginally increased as compared to the corresponding period of 2006 (245).

(f): The Government in tandem with the State Government, have adopted a multi-pronged approach, to contain cross-border infiltration in Jammu and Kashmir, which includes, inter-alia, strengthening of border management and multi-tiered and multi-modal deployment along International Border/Line of Control and near the ever changing infiltration routes, construction of border fencing, improved technology, weapons and equipment for security forces, improved intelligence and operational coordination and synergizing intelligence flow to check infiltration and pro-active action against the terrorists within the State. The counter infiltration efforts are reviewed periodically at various levels in the State Government (including the two Unified Headquarters headed by the Chief Minister of Jammu and Kashmir) and in the Central Government.